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AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-23 (Canceled)

24. (Currently amended) A process for producing <u>human</u> lactoferrin which comprises culturing a transformant eucaryotic cell containing a recombinant plasmid, said plasmid comprising a plasmic vector having a polydeoxyribonucleotide which codes for a <u>human</u> lactoferrin protein in a suitable nutrient medium until the <u>human</u> lactoferrin protein is formed and isolating the <u>human</u> lactoferrin protein.

Claims 25-64 (Canceled)

- 65. (New) The process of claim 24, wherein the eucaryotic cell is a mammalian cell.
 - 66. (New) The process of claim 65, wherein the mammalian cell is immortalized.
 - 67. (New) The process of claim 24, wherein the eucaryotic cell is a fungal cell.
 - 68. (New) The process of claim 24, wherein the eucaryotic cell is a yeast cell.
 - 69. (New) The process of claim 24, wherein the eucaryotic cell is an insect cell.
 - 70. (New) The process of claim 69, wherein the insect cell is a SF9.
- 71. (New) The process of claim 67, wherein the fungal cell is selected from the group consisting of Aspergillus, Saccharomyces, Kluyveromyces and Pichia.
 - 72. (New) The process of claim 71, wherein the fungal cell is Aspergillus.
- 73. (New) The process of claim 72, wherein the Aspergillus cell is selected from the group consisting of Aspergillus oryzae, Aspergillus niger, Aspergillus nidulans and Aspergillus awamori.
- 74. (New) The process of claim 72, wherein the Aspergillus cell is Aspergillus oryzae.

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75. (New) The process of claim 72, wherein the Aspergillus cell is Aspergillus niger.

- 76. (New) The process of claim 72, wherein the Aspergillus cell is Aspergillus nidulans.
- 77. (New) The process of claim 72, wherein the Aspergillus cell is Aspergillus awamori.